

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost – October 27, 2013

Music Prelude	Glenda Teachey
Welcome and Announcements	Pastor Katie
*Passing of the Peace	
*Call to Worship	“A Mighty Fortress is our God” verse 1 UMH #110
**Opening Hymn	“Morning has Broken” UMH #145
Unison Prayer Creator God, you began this marvelous world. You nurture it still. When we look upon trees and fields and water, animals and plants, help us to see more than raw materials for our use. Help us even to see more than beauty for our enjoyment. Help us to see the natural world as testimony to your greatness, witness to your creativity, and evidence that you are the source of all life. Amen.	
Praises & Prayer Requests <i>After each praise or prayer request: “Lord, hear our prayer.”</i>	
Hymn of Preparation	“Thy Word is a Lamp” UMH #601
Liturgy of the Word:	
Old Testament	Joel 2:23-29
Psalm	Psalm 65 Pastor Katie
Message:	“Rain from Heaven” Pastor Katie
Offertory *Doxology *Offertory Prayer	Choir UMH #95 Pastor Katie
Liturgy of the Table	
Holy Communion	Musical Setting B UMH p. 18

*Please stand as you are able
** Lighting of the candles

Prayer after Communion	UMH p.11
The Apostles' Creed	UMH #882
*Closing Hymn	“This is My Father’s World” UMH #144
*Blessing	Pastor Katie
*Benedictory Response	“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing” <i>verse 1</i> UMH #664
Postlude	Glenda Teachey

We welcome you to worship with us again!

To our guests, thank you for visiting us today. Please fill out a visitor’s card located in the pews and place it in the offering plate, or see an usher or the Pastor. Join us in the Overflow Room for a “Meet & Greet” after the service.

Outreach Opportunities

Food Drive - Rockland is hosting an ongoing food drive for the Maryland Food Bank to help families in need. Please place non-perishable items in the box labeled “Maryland Food Bank” in the room behind the sanctuary. See Laurie Huffman if you have questions.

Join Saint James at SERRV on Oct. 30 - SERRV is a nonprofit organization that distributes fair trade handcrafts and foods from artisans and farmers around the world. Help unpack, examine, and repack items for sale on Wednesday, October 30. A carpool will leave Saint James at 8am. Contact Margaret Gardner at 410-795-4295 for more information.

Safe Sanctuary Training

This training is required for everyone at the church who works with children. Saint James is offering Safe Sanctuary training Sunday, Oct. 27 at 10:15am and **Thursday, Nov. 7 at 7:00pm**. The training lasts about ½ hour. If you have questions or are unable to attend one of these sessions, please contact Pastor Katie at 443-878-6997.

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